



But who do

*you*

say that I am?

In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

**Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.**

For music, the words will be sung by the cantor and musicians **while the congregation hums.** (You may sing if vaccinated and masked.)

*Instructions for in-person worship.*

- ) Keep your mask on at all times, except when receiving communion.*
- ) For hymns, you are invited to pray the words and hum the music.*
- ) If you are vaccinated, you are safe to sing when wearing a mask.*
- ) Enjoy the presence of one another as we “speak the peace,” wave, smile, make the sign of the Cross. Please do not embrace, hug, kiss, or elbow-bump anyone but for immediate family members you are seated with.*
- ) Please do not attend worship if you are currently sick with any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, nausea, or diarrhea.*
- ) Please do not attend worship if you had close personal contact with anyone who has been diagnosed or is awaiting test results for COVID-19 in the past 14 days.*
- ) Notify the Church Office if you receive a positive COVID-19 test result within 7 days of attending a worship service. Your name will be kept anonymous unless required for reporting to the Department of Health.*

# Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*Sunday, September 12, 2021 • 10:45 a.m.*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

# Sacrament of Holy Baptism

*Baptism of Lucille Frances Tveter,  
daughter of John and Samantha Tveter.  
Megan Tveter, sponsor.*

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

## PRESENTATION

***Megan***

I present Lucille Frances Tveter for baptism.

John and Samantha, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have Lucille baptized into Christ?

***John and Samantha***

We do.

As you bring Lucille to receive the gift of baptism,  
you are entrusted with responsibilities:

to live with her among God's faithful people,  
bring her to the word of God and the holy supper,  
teach her the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments,  
place in her hands the holy scriptures,  
and nurture her in faith and prayer,  
so that Lucille may learn to trust God,  
proclaim Christ through word and deed,  
care for others and the world God made,  
and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help Lucille grow in the Christian faith and life?

***John and Samantha***

We do.

Megan, do you promise to nurture Lucille in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and the help her live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

***Sponsor***

I do.

People of God, do you promise to support Lucille and pray for her in her new life in Christ?

**We do.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you, as a baptismal party, to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

***Baptismal party***

We renounce them.

With the whole church, we confess our faith.

Do you believe in God the Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you.

Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

**Amen.**

#### BAPTISM

Lucille Frances Tveter,  
I baptize you in the name of the Father,  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*Congregation sings twice:*



Up from the wa - ters God has claimed you, up\_\_\_from the wa - ters, child of light.



Praise to the One who called and named you up\_\_\_from the wa - ters in - to life.

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life. Sustain Lucille with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**Amen.**

Lucille Frances Tveter, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

Let your light so shine before others  
that they may see your good works  
and glorify your Father in heaven.

WELCOME

Let us welcome Lucille:

**We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

# Hymn of Praise • "This Is the Feast"

Holy Communion: Tree of Life Setting



## Refrain



☐ This is the feast, this is the feast, this is the feast of



vic - to - ry for our God, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu -



ia.

ia.

ia.

## Verse 1



☐ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God,



☐ Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and



hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.



### Verse 2



I Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and



join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion,



II Bless - ing hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

*To Refrain*



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

### Verse 3



III For the Lamb who was slain has be -

*To Refrain*



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

# Prayer of the Day

O God, through suffering and rejection  
you bring forth our salvation,  
and by the glory of the cross you transform our lives.

Grant that for the sake of the gospel  
we may turn from the lure of selfishness, deceit, and comfort,  
take up our cross,  
and follow your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

### Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens— wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Psalm

A responsive reading from the Psalms.

## Psalm 116:1-9

I love the Lord, who has heard my voice,  
and listened to my supplication,

**for the Lord has given ear to me  
whenever I called.**

The cords of death entangled me; the anguish of the grave came upon me;  
I came to grief and sorrow.

**Then I called upon the name of the Lord:  
“O Lord, I pray, save my life.”**

Gracious is the Lord and righteous;  
our God is full of compassion.

**The Lord watches over the innocent;  
I was brought low, and God saved me.**

Turn again to your rest, O my soul.  
for the Lord has dealt well with you.

**For you have rescued my life from death,  
my eyes from tears, and my feet from stumbling;**

I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
in the land of the living.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Second Reading

A reading from the letter of James.

## James 3:1-12

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits.

How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue—a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine yield fresh.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

# Gospel Acclamation • "Alleluia"

*Holy Communion: Tree of Life Setting*



Al - le - lu - ia,



Al - le - lu - ia, Lord, to whom shall we go? For



you have the words, you have the words, the words of e -



ter - nal life, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

# Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

Mark 8:27-38

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, “Who do people say that I am?” And they answered him, “John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets.” He asked them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.”

He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

# Sermon

Pastor Briana R. Merkle.

# Hymn of the Day • "Take My Life, That I May Be"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 583



Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.



1 Take my hands and let them move at the im -  
2 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite  
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on -  
4 Take my will and make it thine; it shall be



pulse of thy love; take my feet and let  
would I with - hold; take my in - tel - lect  
ly for my King; take my lips and let  
no lon - ger mine; take my heart, it is



them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.  
and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.  
them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.  
thine own; it shall be thy roy - al throne.

# Prayers of the Church

Made children and heirs of God's promise,  
we pray for the church, the world, and all in need.

*A brief silence.*

*At the conclusion of each petition:*

Lord, in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

Receive these prayers, O God,  
and those in our hearts known only to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

# Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
**And also with you.**



# Offering

We give to the Lord of our tithes and offerings.

*You can mail an offering to:*

Mountain View Lutheran Church  
3505 - 122nd Ave E  
Edgewood WA 98372

*You can give electronically:*

ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

- ) Visit [www.mtviewlutheran.org](http://www.mtviewlutheran.org).
- ) Hover over the “GIVE” dropbox.
- ) Choose “Make a Donation via Bank Account” or “Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card.”
- ) Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue “GIVE” button.
- ) If you want it to remember your information, visit “SIGN IN” and create an account.
- ) NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check “Make this Gift Recurring.”

*For those worshipping in person, you can leave your offering in the offering plates located in the side aisles as you come forward for Holy Communion.*

# Recognition and Thanksgiving for the Offering of Norman Nelson

*During the last year, MVLC received a generous gift from the estate of Norman Nelson, part of which was designated to children and youth ministry. His gift—or more accurately his offering—has provided MVLC with the means to live into a long-held ministry dream. We are now able to pursue hiring a part-time Children and Family Ministry Coordinator.*

## Offering Prayer

We do not live to ourselves,  
**and we do not die to ourselves.**

If we live, we live to the Lord,  
**and if we die, we die to the Lord;**

So then, whether we live or whether we die,  
**we are the Lord's.**

God of abundant life,  
**In his life and even in death,**  
**we proclaim our thanks for the generosity of Norman Nelson.**

**We ask your blessing upon this gift Lord,**  
**that it will be of great service to our children and youth,**  
**teaching them your Word and your way,**  
**and showing them the fellowship of life in you.**

**Take this gift, and all our gifts, and multiply them**  
**to nourish the world you love so dearly;**  
**through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

**Amen.**

# Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

We give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is indeed right and good  
that we should everywhere and always  
offer thanks and praise to you,  
Holy God, mighty and immortal,  
through Christ, our Lord  
who by his death and resurrection  
is making all things new.

And so with the Church on earth  
and the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name  
and join their unending hymn.

# Sanctus • "Holy, Holy, Holy"

*Holy Communion: Tree of Life Setting*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord, God of power and  
might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho -  
san-na, ho - san-na, ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless-ed is he, bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san-na, ho - san-na, ho - san-na in the  
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Words of Institution

# Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom  
and teach us to pray:

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those  
who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and forever. Amen.**

# Communion

All who hunger and thirst, come.  
The table is ready.

# Distribution

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.*

*If gluten-free wafers are required for health reasons, then please ask the pastor serving communion for a wafer.*

## Lamb of God • “Lamb of God”

*Holy Communion: Tree of Life Setting*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the



world: have mer - cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the



world: grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

# Communion Song • “Let Us Break Bread Together”

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 471*



1 Let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees;  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees;  
3 Let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees;



let us break bread to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us drink wine to - geth - er on our knees.  
let us praise God to - geth - er on our knees.



When I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris - ing



sun, O Lord, have mer - cy on me.

# Communion Song • “Will You Come and Follow Me”

*Evangelical Lutheran Worship 798*



1 “Will you come and fol - low me if I but call  
 2 “Will you leave your - self be - hind if I but call  
 3 “Will you let the blind - ed see if I but call  
 4 “Will you love the you you hide if I but call  
 5 Lord, your sum - mons ech - oes true when you but call



your name? Will you go where you don't  
 your name? Will you care for cruel and  
 your name? Will you set the pris - 'ners  
 your name? Will you quell the fear in -  
 my name. Let me turn and fol - low



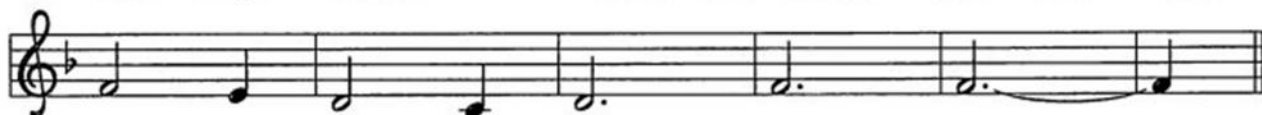
know and nev - er be the same?  
 kind and nev - er be the same?  
 free and nev - er be the same?  
 side and nev - er be the same?  
 you and nev - er be the same.



Will you let my love be shown, will you let my  
 Will you risk the hos - tile stare, should your life at -  
 Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do such as  
 Will you use the faith you've found to re - shape the  
 In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your love and



name be known, will you let my life be  
 tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer  
 this un - seen, and ad - mit to what I  
 world a - round, through my sight and touch and  
 foot - steps show. Thus I'll move and live and



grown in you and you in me?"  
 pray'r in you and you in me?"  
 mean in you and you in me?"  
 sound in you and you in me?"  
 grow in you and you in me.



## Prayer after Communion

Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith in to a feast of salvation.

Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**Amen.**

## Deacon Sending

Deacons are called to “make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example.”

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized, and often lonely as well.

*Deacons for the week are named.*

O God of tender compassion,

**as you healed the sick and welcomed the stranger, bless those who leave this assembly to share the gifts of this table with our siblings who are sick or homebound, that they be sustained by the love and prayers of this community, and by the Bread of life that satisfies all hunger, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Blessing

People of God, you are Christ’s body, bringing new life to a suffering world. The holy Trinity, + one God, bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

# Sending Hymn • "God's Work, Our Hands"

All Creation Sings 1000



1 God's work, our hands: work - ing to - geth - er,  
2 God's work, our feet: trav - 'ling to - geth - er,  
3 God's work, our voice: sing - ing to - geth - er,  
4 God is at work in and a - round us:



build - ing a fu - ture, re - pair - ing the world,  
fol - low - ing Je - sus to plac - es un - known,  
prais - ing, pro - claim - ing to all who will hear,  
seed - lings are sprout - ing and bread's on the rise!



rais - ing up homes, plant - ing new gar - dens,  
walk - ing as friends, march - ing for free - dom,  
pray - ing for peace, shout - ing for jus - tice,  
Washed and set free, hum - bled and hon - ored,



feed - ing the hun - gry and shelt - 'ring the cold.  
run - ning the race with God's fu - ture the goal.  
claim - ing God's love for the lost and the least.  
gift - ed by grace, we re - spond in God's love.



Bless, God, our hands as we work in your name,  
Bless, God, our feet as we fol - low your way,  
Bless, God, our voice as we speak in your name,  
Bless, God, our lives as we an - swer your call,



shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.  
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shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.  
shar - ing the good news of your gos - pel.

## Sending

Go in peace. The living Word dwells in you.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Postlude

*Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God  
by Rikki and Marnie McManus  
in honor of Aramoana's seventh birthday.*

## Worship Attendance

*For those participating in worship from home,  
please register your worship attendance online at  
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- ) CANTOR: Ellen Leapaltdt.
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# Adult Education for Fall 2021

*Lead me in your truth, and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation;  
for you I wait all day long.*

—PSALM 25:5

## SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sundays 9/19 thru 10/10

### **“Parables of Economic Justice” with PLU Professor Kevin O’Brien.**

This four class series will explore issues of economic justice and what Christians are called to do in conversation with the parables of Jesus. Focusing on a different parable and moral challenge each week, we will build an ongoing conversation welcoming multiple perspectives on what it means to love our neighbors in a world of both prosperity and poverty.

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Sundays 10/17 thru 10/31

### **“The Lord’s Prayer” with Pastor Kim Latterell.**

# Thanksgiving for a Generous Gift

During the last year, MVLC received a generous gift from the estate of Norman Nelson, part of which was designated to children and youth ministry. His gift—or more accurately his offering—has provided MVLC with the means to live into a long-held ministry dream. We are now able to pursue hiring a part-time Children and Family Ministry Coordinator.

A small team made up of myself, two parents, and a Rock Ministry mentor met to determine the best way to use this generous gift. With conversation, we created and have now posted the position description for our Children and Family Ministry Coordinator. You can view it online at <https://mtviewlutheran.org/jobdescription-childrenandfamilycoordinator.pdf>

In some ways, it was a surprise that Norm chose to designate part of this estate gift to children and youth ministry. Norm never had any children of his own. Yet Norm grew up at Mountain View and was confirmed here in 1939. His generous gift points to how much he valued the community and faith foundation he received here both in his youth and in later years.

Even in his death, Norm proclaimed God's goodness to him and left provision for others to experience this too. He died just over a year ago, on July 7, 2020.

Thanks be to God for the gifts of God, and for the people of God,

—PASTOR BRI

*Norm Nelson's  
1939 MVLC  
confirmation photo.*

